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## LAYING THEIR WIRES UNDER GUARD.

## SAN FRANCISCO POLITICIANS ARE ACTIVELY ENGAGED.

The Republican County Committee will go out on Monday and Tuesday Hangs a Tale.

## CHAIRMANSHIP IN DEMAND.

## JOHN DOUG SPRECKELS RETURNS TO POLITICAL LIFE.

Maj. McKinley Passes a Comparatively Quiet Day—Secretary Carle and Gold Certificate.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—The Republican County Committee will go out of office at the end of the year, and already wires are being laid to control the new committee, which will manage the campaign of 1898. Chairman Mainwaring of the present committee, is a candidate for reelection and has the support of County Clerk Curry.

Phil Crimmins is making an effort to control the committee, and it is said, Crimmins favors William Cluff for chairman. It is also announced that John D. Spreckels favors Cluff, and that Spreckels has reconsidered his determination to abandon politics.

## A BRYAN VICTORY.

PIERRE (S. D.), Dec. 14.—In the mandamus case to compel the issuance of certificates to Republican electors in the partial canvass the court today held that the board has a right to adjourn and to secure complete returns. This gives Bryan the electors.

## ELECTION AT TUCSON.

TUCSON (Ariz.), Dec. 14.—The city election today was most exciting. There were two tickets, the Non-Partisan Citizens' ticket, with Henry C. Buchanan, the incumbent for Mayor; the other, the Citizens' ticket, with C. F. Schumacher for Mayor. The Buchanan ticket was elected, including all city officials. It was a straight party victory between the Catholics and so-called A. P. A., the latter scoring a complete triumph.

## A TALK WITH KOHLBAAT.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—H. H. Kohlbaat of Chicago, who since election has been mentioned as a possible member of the McKinley Cabinet, is in the city. Kohlbaat said that he is not looking for a Cabinet position, and could not accept such a place if it were offered to him.

"McKinley's administration," he said, "will, in my judgment, be the most successful the country has ever had. I have no doubt that McKinley will have a long and successful administration with the movement to frame a moderate tariff bill this winter, so that it may be ready to take effect as soon as Congress is called together in extra session next spring.

"It is practically settled that an extra session of Congress cannot be avoided. I think the extra session will begin before April, and that a new tariff law will be on the statute books before July 1."

## COMPARATIVELY QUIET.

CANTON (O.), Dec. 14.—Maj. McKinley spent a comparatively quiet day although the number of callers was large. Most of the calls, however, were made by people who were assigned to shake hands and to pay their respects. Dr. J. T. McLean of Alameda, Cal., reached the city on Monday and spent the evening with Maj. McKinley.

## CHOATE A CANDIDATE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Joseph H. Choate has written a letter announcing that he will be a candidate for election to the United States Senate in succession to David B. Hill. Choate's letter, which is addressed to W. H. Guthrie, is as follows:

"You have handed a copy of the resolutions adopted by the Union League Club of the City of New York, and asked me to declare whether I would be a candidate for the position of United States Senator, in accordance with the resolutions of the club. I have no hesitancy in saying I will be a candidate, and if elected will try to serve the people to the best of my ability."

"I am deeply grateful for the compliment paid me by the Union League Club, for the honor conferred upon me by the organization devoted to the success of the Republican party, for whose candidates I have voted from the beginning and whose principles have always been believed. To that party the country must look now as it has ever, for the national safety and the preservation of the Constitution."

(Signed.) "JOSEPH H. CHOATE."

## J. HAY BROWN.

LANCASTER (Pa.), Dec. 14.—J. Hay Brown, when questioned tonight in reference to the printed report that he had been selected by Attorney General by President-elect McKinley, declared he knew nothing whatever about the matter save what he heard was printed in the afternoon papers.

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Cubans here have flags at half-mast, and houses are in mourning. At New York, serious trouble is feared. The Mayor has sent the Chief of Police to the scene to take prompt action. A body of Cubans have gone from West Tampa to New York City, vowing to take the life of any Spaniard found celebrating the death of Maceo.

## DR. DAWSON'S OFFER.

DENVER, Dec. 14.—Laurel E. Dawson, M.D., a prominent physician and surgeon, for many of the principal mining companies of Colorado and for the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad at that place, has written Col. John McAndrew of the Cuban volunteer corps, his services as surgeon of the regiment.

## THE SPANISH ARMADA.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 14.—A Commercial-Tribune special from Key West, Fla., says: "It is reported by spongers coming in that there are unusually large numbers of Spanish war vessels lying off the Florida coast; that they go out to sea during the day, and at night come in to throw their search-lights in a direct line to the shore, and have been sighted several times by people on shore."

## ABLE-BODIED BUTTERS.

BUTTE (Mont.), Dec. 14.—One hundred able-bodied men of Butte tonight signed the roll which calls on them to aid the insurgents. Resolutions were adopted condemning the methods of Spain in the war and pledging the aid of the American people. The American Club, and calls on the representatives in Congress to do all in their power to have the belligerence of Cuba recognized.

## A CONFERENCE SUGGESTED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Gov. Morton, according to a statement published in the Evening World, sent a telegram to President Cleveland yesterday in reply to one from the President regarding Cuban affairs, and the assassination of Gen. Maceo in particular. The message contained the novel suggestion that President Cleveland invite to Washington the Cuban representatives to discuss the most feasible plan to be followed by the President concerning the attitude of the United States toward Cuba during the remainder of President Cleveland's term.

The world article says: "It is not probable that Gov. Morton would have offered his suggestion unless he believed it would be acceptable to President-elect McKinley. Indeed, it is said that the Governor has had some correspondence with the President-elect on the subject."

## EXPLICITLY DENIED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Gov. Morton denies explicitly that he sent a message to President Cleveland suggesting that he invite President-elect McKinley to Washington to discuss the issue of conferring on the Cuban question.

## THE NEWARK PUTS TO SEA.

KEY WEST (Fla.), Dec. 14.—United States cruiser Newark was lying in the dock coaling today, when suddenly was suspended and she hurriedly put to sea without taking on board the crew of the cutter, destination is not known, but is said to be Havana.

## TO ENFORCE NEUTRALITY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Inquiry here as to the movement of the United States cruiser Newark, which was reported to have sailed for Havana, was explicitly denied. The vessel's sudden departure from Key West led to the rumor that they had gone to Havana, shows that the vessels are simply engaged in the enforcement of neutrality laws, and are not at all likely to go near Havana. The Navy Department has had a ship assigned to that service for nearly a year. The Newark, which has just arrived on the Florida coast, undertakes this duty as the vessel of the Constitution, which will soon come north.

## THE RALEIGH FOLLOWS.

KEY WEST (Fla.), Dec. 14.—Late in the day the United States cruiser Raleigh was unexpectedly ordered to proceed to sea. According to gossip on the streets here, the Raleigh is to capture a certain American schooner, Competitor, to be executed at Havana tomorrow, and the Newark has been ordered to stay in the harbor to enforce the orders in circulation can be obtained here.

## GOING FOR THREE FRIENDS.

JACKSONVILLE (Fla.), Dec. 14.—A special to the Citizen from Key West says that the United States cruiser Raleigh received telegraphic instructions from Washington at noon today, and that the cruiser was ordered to proceed to sea to capture the steamer Three Friends, which left Fernandina at an early hour this morning with a cargo of arms and ammunition, and about fifty Cubans, to be landed in Cuba.

Instructions were also received for the capture of the schooner Competitor, and Winona and Farward, at Key West, to intercept the Three Friends if possible. Every effort will thus be made to catch the little filibuster, which has succeeded in getting away with its cargo, despite the vigilance of the government officials and Spanish sloop-of-war. The actual cargo carried by the Three Friends was as follows: Four hundred thousand rounds of ammunition, one hundred and twenty Hotchkiss guns, twenty machine guns, 4000 pounds of dynamite, besides a quantity of medicines, provisions, etc. The expedition was commanded by Gen. Maceo, who was an adjutant of Maceo's staff.

## SYMPATHY ALMOST UNIVERSAL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—From all parts of the United States, from Mexico and from Paris telegrams were received today by the Cuban Junta and by prominent Cubans in New York, in which the correspondents express their sympathy for free Cuba and offered financial assistance to the men who are making a fight for liberty.

One of the most ardent writers was Herbert Wolcott, chairman of the Cuban American League of Cleveland, and brother of United States Senator Wolcott. In his communication to Fidel Casto, Mr. Wolcott said the normal increase of the gold reserve caused by the exchange of paper currency for gold is checked by the issue of gold certificates and, in fact, upon various occasions considerable amounts of gold have been withdrawn by the presentation of notes for redemption. The gold reserve is deposited in exchange for gold certificates."

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## TRANSMISSION OF FUNDS AND THE FORWARDING OF MEN TO CUBA.

Mr. Galbraith said the people of that city were thoroughly in earnest and that they could be counted upon for larger subscriptions than ever before.

In this city funds have been pouring in to aid the Cuban cause and many inquiries are being made of the Cuban officials as to the best way to transmit funds and supplies to the men who are fighting.

## MARCUS HOOK INDIGNANT.

MARCUS HOOK (Pa.), Dec. 14.—This little town was ablaze tonight with indignation against Spain. Fully two thousand citizens of the place and Chester held a parade, speeches in denunciation of Spain were made and an effigy of Weyler was raised on a pole and fired at from many points. A Spanish flag, together with a Spanish flag, intense excitement prevailed during the demonstration.

## PROTECTION DEMANDED.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 14.—J. H. Seward & Co., fruit importers and charter parties of the steamship Laurada, now at Palermo, have sent a lengthy communication to Secretary Olney, in which they ask that the vessel be duly protected at Valencia, Spain. She is under charter to take the remainder of her cargo to Cuba, and the captain, having been advised by cable that trouble might ensue, declined to proceed to the Spanish port. The letter to the Secretary of State says an effort has been made by the firm to get the owners of the ship to have the cargo shipped from Sicily instead of Cuba.

## SUNDAY, SAYS THE DOCUMENT.

"Sunday," says the document, "we received a cable as follows: 'United States government advised captain of Laurada not to enter port. Vessel not allowed to land.' As American citizens and merchants holding a charter of a vessel duly registered and carrying the American flag, we are under a duty and our right to ask you, in your official capacity, to protect our property under such flag, as well as uphold the nation's honor."

(Signed) "J. H. SEWARD & CO."

## Scandinavian Earthquakes.

CHRISTIANIA, Dec. 14.—Earthquake shocks were felt about the city, this morning at Laurvik on the south coast, and at Kalstad, in the province of Agder. The disturbances lasted about twenty seconds, and were shaken and furniture was overturned.

## Francisco-German Trade.

PARIS, Dec. 14.—French consuls in Germany have been requested to submit to M. Boucher, Minister of Commerce, reports on the economic situation in Germany during the remainder of President Cleveland's term.

## MURRAY'S ESCAPE DENIED.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—According to advices from Berlin, London and Paris, there is no truth in the reported escape of ex-Sultan Murad from his place of confinement in Constantinople.

## Failures on Cotton Exchange.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The failure of John Collins & Sons was announced on the Cotton Exchange today, also that of the firm of J. H. Seward & Co. Neither failure affected the market.

## Port of Cuxhaven.

HAMBURG, Dec. 14.—The Senate announced that the new port of Cuxhaven will be a free port, and that it will be included as a free port.

## The Baltimore Indemnities.

(California Fruit Grower.) The Baltimore fruit packers, since the grand jury indictment of four of their number, have been doing business in the action taken by the San Francisco Fruit Exchange, coming as it did at the end of the fruit-packing season, not looked upon by them as a bluff. Backed by the action of the San Francisco Fruit Exchange, the Baltimore packers have been doing business in the action taken by the San Francisco Fruit Exchange, coming as it did at the end of the fruit-packing season, not looked upon by them as a bluff. Backed by the action of the San Francisco Fruit Exchange, the Baltimore packers have been doing business in the action taken by the San Francisco Fruit Exchange, coming as it did at the end of the fruit-packing season, not looked upon by them as a bluff. 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**KEEP** that kid quiet," said Bankers, in a hoarse whisper.

"I'm doing the best I can," said his wife, trying to hush the little one, who was sobbing and moaning in her lap. In the baby's little wagon a bitter fight was going on. The mother and the father, and the latter was dying hard. The wind drove the rain against the side of the car and made it rock to and fro. "Emma," said Mrs. Bankers to her friend, "take that bottle and hold it between you and a crack in the car, and when it lightens down ten drops into the spoon I suppose we must not strike a light."

"You bet you don't strike any light here unless you are ready to give up your chignon," said Bankers, without taking his eyes from the crack through which he was peeping. Emma took the bottle, and at top of flash lighted the spoon, and up of hush meddled into the spoon, and the light put in ten drops they gave it to the baby. That made twenty drops—it was dangerous—but it was sure death to all of them if the baby cried aloud.

The rain came in great sheets and with such a roar that it seemed as if the car could hardly hold the rail. It was not a Pullman car; just a common red stock car standing on a siding with a few armfuls of straw upon the floor. Occasionally Bankers turned to glance at the sky, and when he was crouching in one end of the car, and when the lightning lit up their faces they were fearful to behold. Now the rain, cold and driving, struck the cracks in the car and struck the faces of those within. Mrs. Bankers had three winters at Woodriver, but her friend Emma had never been here, come out to Western Nebraska to teach school, in every sense a tenderfoot. The experience of this wild night had almost driven her mad.

"There they are," whispered Bankers. Now the women put their eyes to the crack, and when a flash came they could see the light at sections of the car that formed a half-circle around the house, like a feather box about a woman's head. Half the hand dismounted and made a rush for the door. The door was broken and the red devils swarmed in. One of them took a newspaper and lighted it, and the other began to make torch, and by the light of it the little party in the stock car could see the Sioux running, half-crouching, from room to room in the house. Bankers found the place deserted and smarting under their disappointment, the Indians having fled to the house. By the light of it to look at the railroad station, which stood less than a hundred yards away.

The station agent had been warned the night before, by a Pawnee scout, but had bravely refused to leave his post. He had made no light, but sat in one end of the stock car, looking out of the window. The station agent and sleeping-room, and as the Indians approached opened fire. At the very first shot the Indians, who were down on their hands and knees, came down on his feet, leaped up again and again and finally fell in a heap to rise no more. Bankers, with a desperate yell for the door and began to beat against it with tomahawks, clubs and guns.

Having emptied his gun, the agent took up a 45-caliber revolver, and the lead fairly rattled against the door, and no less than a half dozen bullets came in. The Indians, who were the beggars, fell back a space. From a distance they began to pour the lead into the building, but the agent, crouching in the doorway, was not hurt. An Indian brought a torch from the burning cottage and attempted to fire the station, but the rain and the darkness were too much for him. Two or three Sioux, noticing a string of cars upon the siding, began to search for stock or valuable freight. From the stock car they saw the light reflected into the straw. "Uh," said an old buck as his rifle found something soft in one of the cars, and Bankers, who was sitting in the straw, held the side of the car the Indian began to pull and strain. By the merest chance he had taken hold of the car door, and the Indian, who was a wicked old heathen inside, Bankers could have blown the top of the Sioux head off, but he knew that it was better to let him go. He let him go against whom he could not hope to hold out long. The women scarcely breathed. The baby, full of paeorogie, had been crying and now he was silent, and his final rest. The other two Indians had given up the search among the empty cars and gone back to the burning cottage. The Indian who had loaded all his guns, kept the gang hopping and dancing about the station platform. The old Sioux at the door if he could get a shot at the Indians must have fancied he heard something breathe, for now he put his hands upon the sill and leaped into the car. He had a scabbard strapped to his belt, and Bankers's rifle barrel fell across his feathered head, and he dropped like a beef. The school ma'am uttered a faint cry, but she thought the last sound that came from her corner for some time. The Sioux never moved a finger, and Bankers, having removed the warren of firearms, turned them on as best he could over to his wife and then covered the dead Sioux with straw. Already the little frame cottage had been set on fire, and the last sound nearly quenched the fire. Every attempt made by the band to fire the station it ended in failure, and the Sioux, who were now in the straw, said it was hard for Bankers to keep quiet in the car while the agent sold his life so bravely and so dearly to the Sioux, but still, the agent and his baby, and the helpless school ma'am, who had been persuaded by the Bankers to come to this wild region, and he felt it his duty to protect them as best he could. Presently Bankers felt the stock car vibrate perceptibly as though it were being rolled slowly about the rails. His first thought was that the Indians were pushing the empty cars down near the station, and that they would set fire to the straw, and then the agent, who was in the straw, there was a roar, as of an approaching train, and an instant later a great dark object hove in sight and rolled past. The agent, who was in the locomotive drawing a dozen box cars and running without a head light. The shouts of the besiegers, the rattle of rifles and the roar of the engine, all seemed to Bankers from feeling the vibration, or hearing the sound of the approaching train.

The agent, who had been severely wounded, now crawled to the key and called Ogallala. At the first attack he had wired for help, and now, he told the operator that there had been an attack on the place for a little while longer. The agent was still at the key when the engine, rolling up to the station, shook the siding and the rails. Bankers, who felt the quiver of it that help was at hand. Instantly the doors of the box cars came open and a company of government scouts, led by a Pawnee scout, officers, leaped to the platform just as the band of Sioux were making their way desperate to the station. Before they could realize that the reinforcements were at hand the Sioux were beset by the scouts, who always fought with a desperate and short cut and decisive, and when the Sioux were left more than half their number upon the field.

Probably the most anxious of the whole party was the conductor of the special train that had brought the scouts from Ogallala. He had ridden the way on the locomotive and the moment the train stopped he had leaped to the ground and gone through a shower of bullets to where the cot- tages had been the home of the Bankers. He stood, with his back to the house in ashes made him sick at heart, but there was still hope; they might have a refuge in the station, and it facine about the fearlessness of the Sioux fought his way to the door. By this time the Sioux were giving all their attention to the station, and the conductor forced his body through the stock-riddled door. The agent lay upon the floor in a pool of his own blood, but he was still alive. "Where are they?" asked the conductor, glancing about the dark room.

"Among the stock cars, if they are still alive," was the reply which came in a faint whisper. "I saw them leaving the house at dusk—go to them—I'm—I'm all right," and the conductor turned toward the station. "Where are they?" asked the conductor, "I saw them leaving the house at dusk—go to them—I'm—I'm all right," and the conductor turned toward the station. "Where are they?" asked the conductor, "I saw them leaving the house at dusk—go to them—I'm—I'm all right," and the conductor turned toward the station.

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The race seems to be rapidly drawing to a close when Uncle Sam will be obliged to "fish out bait" in this Cuban affair. You, Uncle Samuel is a very good fisherman himself; and he can cut bait with great celerity and thoroughness when occasion demands.

(Boston Transcript.) Clara. I wonder how Edith came to marry that horrible Mr. Kreesus, after having been waited upon by that charming Charley Dukes. Charley was so fond of music and Kreesus doesn't know enough about it to turn over the leaves of music for one.

Aunt Susan. Perhaps not; but Mr. Kreesus can turn over the leaves of a checkbook most beautifully.

Pickled tea is used in Burma as sort of sauerkraut. The young leaves are boiled, poured into pits about a foot deep, lined with plantain leaves

(Harper's Round Table:) "Ha!" said Wallie, jeering at Maude for being a girl, "you can't ever be President of the United States."  
"I know I can't," retorted Maude, "and I don't believe you can, either."

(New York Press:) Simulating a sionate devotion, she turned her upon her captor. "And you do not me?" she said languishingly. "Love you?" The cannibal chieftain smiled. "My dear, I love you so I eat you up."

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## THE WEATHER.

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, Los Angeles, Dec. 15.—At 5 o'clock a.m. the barometer registered 30.04; at 5 p.m., 29.92. Thermometer for the corresponding hours showed 49 deg. and 53 deg. Relative humidity, 5 a.m., 85 per cent.; 5 p.m., 72 per cent. Wind, 5 a.m., north, velocity 5 miles; 5 p.m., south, velocity 1 mile. Maximum temperature, 57 deg.; minimum temperature, 49 deg. Character of day, weather, 5 a.m., clear; 5 p.m., partly cloudy. Barometer reduced to sea level.

## The Games

## ALL ALONG THE LINE.

A test is being made of the desert land near Indio for coffee growing, and the young bushes are said to be doing finely. No more valuable product could be found for the State, and the Colorado desert can well be parted with for any purpose.

A San Diego rancher of large and successful experience asserts that olives are the most profitable crop for Southern California. He says the proper number of trees per acre is thirty-six, instead of twice that number, as is customary.

Santa Ana has a brand-new street-car company, but its prospects of having a street railway with real cars seems a little dubious, as the company "does not intend to do anything at present" because a few citizens object to the extension of the line.

The Times Index has been given a contract by the Supervisors of San Bernardino county to print the official minutes of the board for which the paper is to receive compensation of one cent. Yet there are people who think country newspapers have no soft snaps.

The good doctor McLean's hallucination that he "took his life in his hand" when he set out to reform Los Angeles is vastly entertaining. The only danger incurred was that he might shoot himself with the gun that he wanted to pack, and that peril was averted when Sheriff Burr revoked the doctor's commission as a deputy.

Final distribution of the Schlappa Pietra estate, to which Jack Lee, alias Blahbey, claims heirship as the younger son of Antonio Schlappa Pietra, has been ordered by the court in Ventura county. Lee's remarkable story is not the only peculiar chapter in the history of the estate. As the state is settled and Lee is almost certain to spend the rest of his life in prison, the felon's claim to the property is not likely to be brought into court.

## CALIFORNIA FISHERIES.

## Great Gain in Products Shown Over Former Year.

W. A. Wilcox, agent of the United States Fish Commission, is in Los Angeles on his tour of investigation of the Southern California Coast counties. The territory which it is his duty to inspect includes the Pacific Coast from Cape Flattery to San Diego. He has finished his work in Washington and Oregon, and is completing the California Coast in the gathering of statistics and other material for the next official report of the commission, which is expected to be issued by about next July. Mr. Wilcox visited San Pedro yesterday and has several places yet to visit, among which are San Diego, Monterey and Santa Cruz.

According to the last report of the commission the products of the fisheries of California during the year 1899 amounted to 57,838,466 pounds, including shellfish, and from this product the amount realized was \$3,022,261. There were 5403 men employed, and the capital invested amounted to \$2,625,746. The statistics are based on commercial fishing without reference to fishing as a sport. The figures show a large increase over those based on the investigation of 1888.

"I cannot," said Mr. Wilcox yesterday, "at this time give any figures on what the report of this year's investigation will show, but the information I have gained thus far warrants the prediction that this year's increase over 1892 will be as great, or nearly so, as the figures for that year were over those of 1888."

The present Fish Commissioner is Capt. J. J. Price, a Californian, who is the successor of the late Col. McDonald, who died last year. At the Battle Creek hatchery in this State there have this year been 25,000,000 salmon eggs taken out and placed where they are now in process of hatching. One of the commission's private cars came west last month bringing eastern lobsters, which were planted in Monterey Bay. The car returned East with 5,000,000 of the salmon eggs above mentioned. The eggs will be planted in eastern waters.

## Humane Officer's Report.

Following is the report of Humane Officer C. H. Clark to the board of directors of the Los Angeles Humane Society for November, 1896:

Fifteen cases reported, twenty-five children involved. Two were sent to Orphans' Home on Alpine street, two to the Ransom Home, two to Dr. Ellis' Home, ten were sent to their homes after having been kept in the station house a few days. Five still at large, three are working, and one was sent to the asylum.

Relative to animals: Eight cases were reported to this office, all of which were attended to. One horse was shot. Out of 200 horses inspected, only three were found unbranded, and the warnings that have been given have had some effect.

## Death at Compton.

Coroner Campbell went to Compton yesterday to hold an inquest on the remains of a Spanish boy who was found dead in bed early yesterday morning. The name of the deceased was not given in the dispatch, but it was supposed that the lad's death was due to heart trouble.

## Two Years at San Quentin.

Judge Wellborn yesterday sentenced Ed Smith to a two-year term at San Quentin. Smith had been convicted of passing counterfeit money.

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FEATHER capes for Xmas at Ostrich Farm.

## A SURE-THING GAME.

## ANOTHER SCHEME TO CATCH THE GULLIBLE SUCKER.

The Denver Commission Company and its Lead-pipe Clinch-Cappers bring in the Unwary and They are Pleased of Their Money.

The biggest brace game that the city has known for several years is now in operation. It is designed especially for that class of producers known as "suckers," and these gulleible fish have been biting vigorously at the bait dangled before them by the cappers, touts and tin-horn gamblers who have the clinch in charge.

The game has been running a week or ten days, and is located at No. 109 East Second street, in a large main-floor office. On the windows is the inscription: "Denver Commission Co., with the information that the concern deals in grain and railroad and mining stocks, receiving markets 'by wire.' Within is a large blackboard and on one end of it are displayed quotations from the Chicago Board of Trade and the New York Stock Exchange. These quotations are genuine, and serve as the basis for a small bucket-shop business, which is used as a fence for the stocks. None of them appears in the list of stocks traded in upon the floor of the Denver Mining Exchange.

Every five minutes a telegraph instrument behind the counter begins to tick, the operator calls out "Denver Markets," and a new quotation is posted on each of the mining stocks. The most noticeable thing about these quotations is that they invariably show a change from the last previous market of exactly \$1 per share—the variation is never more, never less, and the price never remains unchanged for two successive quotations. The only feature of the fluctuations that is uncertain—and that is uncertain only to the outsiders who are roped into the game—is the direction in which the price of any stock will move at the next change. It is perfectly apparent to any one but the purblind suckers that the quotations, like the stocks, are purely fictitious and based upon nothing but the fancy of the men who are running the game.

The place is usually well filled with innocents, who drift in at first from curiosity and are then soon induced by the gallery plays of the cappers of the house to take a hand in the game. Trades are received in any stock at the last "market quotation." The sucker may buy or sell any number of shares, from one share upward. A margin of \$1 per share is required and a "commission" of 12½ cents per share is charged.

It is obvious that even if the quotations were determined purely by chance, as is commonly the case in the "tape game," the house must win in the long run, as it has in every instance the long end of the bet. The player bets \$1 while the house bets only 75¢. The "Denver Commission Company," however, has a better thing than that. It has a sure thing which is better than a gold mine, so long as it is not plucked by the police. The system is delightfully simple. Every trade is entered upon a tally sheet, which will always show a glance whether the majority of the trades are in the given stock or "short." If long, that is, if the majority of the suckers have been buying, it is only necessary to make the next quotation lower, and the house scoops in the margins deposited on all long trades. If the majority of the trades are short, the stock is advanced.

Needless to say, the scheme is not explained to the gulleible sucker. Whenever he asks how the quotations are obtained, he is told that they come "from Denver." His informant does not mention the fact that "Denver" is a private office situated conveniently near at hand, where the fluctuations of the stocks are determined. In this office the prices are fixed according to the balance of trades as shown by the tally sheet. These prices are then transmitted by a private wire to the office of the Denver Commission Company, where they are announced as the latest "Denver markets."

The swindle is so transparent that even the most gulleible would soon see through it with a little study. In order to lull the suspicions of the sucker, it is necessary to arouse his cupidity and dazzle him with glittering prospects of quick and easy profits. To this end cappers are employed to circulate among the simpletons, who visit the place, and tell of big stakes made in the game. From time to time they take a flyer themselves to encourage their hesitating victims. A conspicuous figure about the joint is a certain quick doctor, who has made an unenviable reputation in the past as a card sharp and a sure-thing stealer. His pretended trades have proved a valuable aid to the house, and he has already succeeded in running a number of victims against this skin game. The manager of the place is well known about town among sports and was at one time the proprietor of a "club-room," frequented by poker-players.

No more barefaced swindle has been operated in this city. The house is a sure winner, and the player is a sure loser. Occasionally he may win a few dollars, if some bigger fish happens to be playing the opposite side of the market. But the "Denver Commission Company" will eventually take his last bean, if he stays with the game.

## After Dunham.

Detective George E. Gard of this city is in San Diego, and it is said that Sheriff J. Ryan of Santa Clara county and United States Marshal Covarrubias of this city are also with him. Rumor has it that Gard has located Murderer Dunham and intends to endeavor to capture him. It is said that Dunham is on Mexican soil in the vicinity of his ranch at Dulacra, San Diego officers are not inclined to place much credence in the theory that Dunham is so near them, but Gard's actions are such as to make it appear that he is in possession of reliable information.

## A Chinese Shotman.

Ye Wing Gong, the Chinaman who fired a shot at one of his countrymen some time ago, was on trial before Justice Morrison yesterday on a charge of assault with intent to commit murder. The preliminary examination was begun at the morning session and when court adjourned in the afternoon the evidence was not all in, and the case was continued until today.

## Teale No Longer Captain.

City Auditor Teale having been absent from the city thirty days without leave of absence from the colonel of the militia, regiment in which he is a captain, is no longer officer, as that much absence without leave amounts to a resignation in the National Guard.

Minnesota's Complete Returns. (Chicago Inter Ocean): The complete returns in Minnesota give McKinley 133,407; Bryan, 129,408; Palmer, 3203; Levering, 4075; Matchett, 734; total, 240,822; McKinley's plurality, 52,999. There is an increase in the total vote of 73,875 over 1892, and of 54,467 over 1894. There is an increase in the Republican vote of 70,584 over 1892, and of 45,493 over the heavy vote of 1894.

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Large Stock to Select From.  
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Vasari's Life of the Painters, 4 vols., large octavo; price, \$1.00.  
Love in Old Clothes—H. G. Brunner; price, \$1.00.  
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A Reduction Sale in our Silk Department is an announcement of more than ordinary importance to the trade, from the fact we have the finest goods, largest stock, and prices never go lower than our quotations, qualities rarely as good.

Cheney Bros.' Taffeta Glace, all colors,

Yard 75c.

Wash Silks, broken striped effects, blue, green, yellow, interwoven with white,

50c yard, reduced from 75c.

Black Figured Gros de Londra and Satine Duchesse, large scroll designs, all silk,

50c yard, reduced from 85c.

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Complete line of Evening Silks, Pean de Soie, Satin Duchesse; all the light, dainty shades,

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Reception and Evening Silks, highest class novelties, imported, magnificent designs, white cream, blue, maze grounds, embossed and applique fancies. Striped pink and white, black and cream, Marie Antionette designs, cream ground Gros de Londra, Jacquard weaves blurred, flower and scroll patterns, mulberry, green, heliotrope, olive, etc.

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Sittings can be had all this week and pictures finished before Christmas.

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During the next three weeks we will make big reductions in all departments to reduce stocks. We expect the year 1897 will show large gains in business. The mills throughout the country will be starting up and higher prices will be the rule. We want to close all heavy stocks and start the new year with increased energy. We have had plenty of hard times, and when the new year starts up we want to bring with it good times. It is bound to come.

Until Christmas we will make unusual reductions in the Cloak and Suit Room.

We are making big reductions in the Dress Goods Department. Take the new line of Suits for \$2.80. You never saw such values. This is a new lot and cannot be duplicated for the money.

In Handkerchiefs we are making unusual reductions. Elegant handkerchief boxes with each dollar's worth of handkerchiefs free of charge.

Small articles that are new and useful for Christmas presents: 10c, 15c, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00. We show large lines and a great variety at each price quoted.

The Christmas trade is beginning in earnest. Crowds are in the store and nearly everyone is a buyer this week. Do your trading early in the day.

Elegant Linens for Christmas trade. Table Cloths, Napkins, Towels, Stamped Linens and Fancy Worked Goods, all suitable for presents.

We show the largest line of Dolls we have ever carried, from 25c to \$1.00. Elegant Dolls for about half last year's prices.

## Newberry's.

Pure New York State Buckwheat Flour, 6 pounds for 25c  
White Diamond Self-rising Buckwheat Flour, 20c package  
Gem Self-rising Pancake Flour, 15c package  
Royal Breakfast Food, 4-lb package, 15c package  
Farinose, parched, 15c package  
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Shredded Whole Wheat Bread, 15c package

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### **RAILROADS OBJECTING TO THE LONG AND SHORT HAUL CLAUSE.**

**Petitions Now Before the Interstate Commerce Commission—Confusion Caused by Judge McKenna's Recent Decision—Steamship Passengers.**

An Associated Press dispatch from San Francisco says C. F. Smurr, general freight agent of the Southern Pacific Company, departed for Washington Sunday evening to attend a special meeting of the Interstate Commerce Commission that has been called for the consideration of a question in which all the transcontinental lines are interested.

Briefly stated, one of the provisions of the Interstate Commerce Act prohibits railroad companies engaged in interstate traffic from making less rates for a longer than a shorter haul. This provision, known as the "long and short haul clause," was suspended by the Interstate Commerce Commission some time ago in so far as it related to rates between the Atlantic seaboard and San Francisco, for on the showing of the interested lines, such rates had necessarily to be low to meet water competition.

The jobbers of St. Louis, Kansas City and other interior points, have now petitioned the Interstate Commerce Commission for the reason that a reduction of the through rates would necessitate the reduction of the rates to intermediate points while the long and short haul clause remains in effect.

The petition now before the Interstate Commerce Commission is designed to secure the suspension of the clause referred to.

**IN A QUANDARY.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—In view of the recent decision of United States Circuit Judge McKenna that the Railroad Commission is a constitutional body, and has full power to fix rates and at the same time continuing in force the temporary restraining order prohibiting them from enforcing their reduction of 8 per cent. in grain rates, the commissioners are somewhat puzzled as to how they may proceed.

With a view to taking legal advice upon the subject a consultation between the commissioners and Attorney General and Robert Y. Hayne, J. C. Daly and W. W. Foote, the associate counsel in the case, has been arranged for tomorrow.

It is understood that the Attorney General proposes to proceed at once to try the cases on their merits, the decision of Judge McKenna going merely to the preliminary proceedings already had before him.

**COMING BY BOAT.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—The following passengers left on the steamer Eureka for San Pedro: Miss Bell A. Boyd, Bowen.

**Furniture on Fire.**  
Shortly after midnight this morning fire broke out in the storeroom of J. D. Steichen, a furniture dealer, at No. 255 South Main street. An alarm was turned in from box No. 31 at the corner of Second and Spring streets, and Chief Moore and the department were soon on the scene.

The flames had gained great headway and proved hard to combat, but the department did effective work and succeeded in preventing the fire from spreading. Owing to the inflammable nature of the buildings, the Union shophouse at No. 253 and Sylvan & Levy's produce house at No. 251, were in danger of destruction.

The damage is estimated at about \$300, fully insured.

**Broke His Nose.**

B. A. Brewster and W. L. Hance were locked up at police headquarters last night by Officers Williams and McGraw on a charge of battery. The men, it is said, jumped on a Chinaman on Main street and broke his nose.

**ARCHBISHOP BENSON'S STORY.**

**He Was Keenly Alive to the Urgency of the Social Problem.**

(Westminster Gazette.) Archbishop Benson was keenly alive to the urgency of the social problem. Mr. Adderley tells that once upon a time Tom Mann, at a drawing-room meeting in the West End, accused the clergy of apathy. The archbishop, hearing of this, invited him to Lambeth, and taxed him with it. Going up to the book shelf he took down a book and began reading. "This," said the archbishop, "is written by a clergyman; what do you think of it?" "Oh, that's all right," said Tom Mann; "who wrote it?" "I did," said the archbishop, somewhat triumphantly presenting him with the book. The book was "Christ and His Times," and the passage which the archbishop read was, it is understood, from the famous chapter on "Suffering Populations." Tom Mann afterwards said that he had often made use of the book at Socialist meetings.

**Street Shoes are Sensible.**

(Exchange.) Pointed-toe shoes for women will not be seen much this winter. It has become the fashion for women to walk a great deal, and do so they must have plenty of room for their toes. In rough weather particularly the pointed shoes that seem to be the right thing in fair weather are not to be tolerated.

A favorite boot for winter will be almost as high as a bicycle boot, laced or buttoned, with a round toe and square heel. It will be a comfortable boot to go with the rainy-day costume. It is not the thing to wear pretty boots in the streets. They are kept for the house and for carriage wear. House slippers are seen in many designs. They are of brown or black patent leather, and are ornamented with buckles set with jewels, real or imitation. The object is to obtain a dash of effect, and it is not necessary to have real diamonds to do this. A pretty slipper is of black and white striped satin, and many slippers in different colors are made with white enameled heels.

For a slipper to wear at the bedside there is nothing daintier than the little affair of red Morocco, turned up at the toe with the Turkish curve that we admire so much in comic opera. In her own boudoir a woman may be as fanciful as she pleases, and she can afford to do this in the matter of slippers.

Fulton Canada, of Florida, has just returned from a three weeks' alligator hunt. He killed 29 alligators, averaging six feet long during the time, for which he received \$145.34.

## **Licensed to Wed.**

Frank W. Johnson, a native of Indiana, aged 26, and Emma N. Mosher, a native of Kansas, aged 22, both residents of Pomona.

Schuyler Cole, a native of New York, aged 31, a resident of Colegrove, and Bessie C. Gorham, aged 29, a native of Ohio and resident of Santa Monica.

Edward R. Reed, a native of Pennsylvania, aged 31, and May E. McGregor, a native of California, aged 23, both residents of Los Angeles.

George W. Poachy, Jr., aged 23, a native of California, and Helen Dillin, aged 24, a native of Minnesota, both residents of Los Angeles.

**MARRIAGE RECORD.**

DOKE-BENNETT—At the Methodist Episcopal parsonage in Compton, Cal., December 12, 1896, by Rev. A. W. Barker, Lorenso D. Doke of Chatsworth Park and Alice A. Bennett of Howard Summit.

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**TEA SETS.** 4 pieces, Teapot, Sugar Bowl, Creamer and Spoon Holder, quadruple silver-plated, at \$4.50, worth \$10.

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Cold Cream, extra large, 25c  
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## ANNOUNCEMENT OF PRIZE-WINNERS.

At 8:30 p.m. the announcement will be made of the prize-winners in the recent composition contest on the subject of the "Opening of the Greater People's Store."

### THE STORES WILL BE OPEN THE ENTIRE EVENING.

Old Santa Claus in all his glory will be here to delight the hearts of the little folks. The bargains advertised for today tell their own story of our greater usefulness.

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Made of navy blue and black heavy shield front, richly embroidered in silk braid, high collar and latest style sleeve, a magnificent \$8 jacket, on sale today at only \$7.50

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Made of English Covert, silk lined, full sweep, high collar and trimmed with selected skins and intended to sell for \$10; extraordinary out for today, \$8.95

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Made of black and navy blue Irish frieze, lined with changeable silk, and trimmed with bands of cloth and pearl buttons; a very swell garment, today for \$8.95

**Ladies' Tea Sets.** 4 pieces, Teapot, Sugar Bowl, Creamer and Spoon Holder, quadruple silver-plated, at \$4.50, worth \$10.

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**Holiday Toilet Sets.**  
The most perfect assortment in all Los Angeles, every novelty imaginable in here for men, women, children and infants; the prices are cut deep indeed; look over our stocks over, you'll find what's needed.

**Holiday Perfumes.**  
1-oz. bottle Crown Perfumes, 50c  
2-oz. bottle Pinaud's Perfumes, all odors, 1.00  
1-1/2-oz. bottle Roger & Gallet's violet de Parme, 75c  
2-oz. bottles Colgate's Triple Extracts, 60c  
Pinaud's Smelling Salts, 30c  
2-oz. Concentrated Toilet Water, 50c  
8-oz. bottles Concentrated Toilet Water, 50c  
8-oz. bottles Extra Cologne, 50c  
8-oz. bottles Verbena Toilet Water, 50c  
Lauder's Triple Extracts per oz., 25c

**Holiday Slippers.**  
Men's Pebble Goat Slippers in tan and black, \$1.25 kinds; today for \$1.00  
Men's Felt Slippers with hand-turned soles, \$1.75 kinds; today for \$1.50  
Men's Genuine Seal Slippers, with hand-turned soles, some some, today for \$2.00  
Ladies' Fur Slippers for trimming and hand-turned soles, our regular \$2 kind; today only \$1.50  
Ladies' Felt Slippers for trimming and hand-turned soles, our regular \$2 kind; today only \$1.50  
Ladies' Red and Orange Faust Slippers, \$1.50 style; today only \$1.00  
Ladies' Patent Leather Toilet Slippers with Fench heels; today for \$4.00  
Ladies' Blue Kid Slippers, with hand-turned soles, worth \$3; today for \$4.00  
**Holiday Neckwear.**  
Black Lace Collar, trimmed with cream and white lace and black silk ribbon; today for \$1.00  
Real Ostrich Feather Collar, in shades of blue, coral, red, and white, curled effects, worth \$2.50; today's price double; today's price \$2.50

**Satin and Silks.**  
Light shades, and for fancy work and evening dresses; a wonderful assortment, such as can't be found in town; regular \$2; the yard grade, on sale today at 29c only

**Handkerchiefs.**  
Very special offers for the holidays: fine lawn embroidered, with open-work borders and scalloped edges; fine Swiss lace, bordered with scalloped edges; fine embroidered, with scalloped edges and Irish point borders; at 25c only, 15c, 20c

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Secretary Filcher Says California is Like a Big Store on a Back Street and Must Advertise Her Wares at Every Opportunity.

The members of the coming State Legislature from the counties of Southern California will not lack for work this winter if they do not consider in legislative session more than one-third of the proposed measures which were brought to their attention at their conference in the Chamber of Commerce yesterday. Under a five-minute limit for speakers for almost three hours a steady stream of advice and argument was poured into the receptive ears of the lawmakers. With a discretion that makes them a degree of political sagacity, the legislators withheld comment or pledges of support in every instance. To all outward appearance they will go to Sacramento committed, by their attitude of respect and studious silence, to the enactment or revision of statutes regulating the branding of cheques, the postal primary system, the labelling of packages of fruit, the construction and maintenance of public highways, and the manufacture of commercial fertilizers. They were pleaded with to provide for the widows and orphans, and how to best remove the growth of weeds from county roads. They were instructed in the art of making youth moral by legislative enactment, and cheese "full cream" with a brush and stencil. They were warned against the continuance of the State Highway Commission by resolution of the convention of Southern California, and in the next breath urged by the Wheelmen's League to extend the Southern California, and the manufacture of commercial fertilizers. They were pleaded with to provide for the widows and orphans, and how to best remove the growth of weeds from county roads. They were instructed in the art of making youth moral by legislative enactment, and cheese "full cream" with a brush and stencil. They were warned against the continuance of the State Highway Commission by resolution of the convention of Southern California, and in the next breath urged by the Wheelmen's League to extend the Southern California, and the manufacture of commercial fertilizers.

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Mr. Parsons is particularly interested in this work, because of his recent appointment by Gov. Budd to act as California's representative in the directorate of the Transmississippi Exposition Company.

At the conclusion of the meeting the members of the Legislature were driven to the Arcade Depot and took the 5:20 p.m. train for Omaha where they remained over night. This morning they will visit the Reform School, returning to the city in time to be entertained at lunch at the Normal School. From here they will be driven to the Orphan's Home. This afternoon they will leave for Highland to visit the State Asylum.

Supervisor E. S. Field of Los Angeles, as chairman of a committee appointed by the recent conference of the Supervisors of Southern California, presented and read the resolutions adopted at that time, recommending certain legislation, after which the members of the Legislature, after a brief business session, adjourned.

The plan and working of the postal primary system as now in practice in Pennsylvania was explained by F. L. Allen, and an argument was made in favor of its adoption in this State. Of 400 members on the Better City Government League's lists in Los Angeles, 300 took part directly in the choice of candidates for the primary system, and the plan will be formulated and in due time put in the hands of a member of the Legislature.

Mr. G. Stephens, president of the Orphan's Home, asked for better protection for a certain class of children that came into their control. Many of the children are brought there as education for years at the home, or living in private homes, when they reach an age at which they can be of service to the community.

As means of fixing the responsibility for the shipment of frozen fruit to the injury of the general fruit industry of the State, F. L. Story of Alameda, after a brief business session, presented a resolution to the effect that the Dairy Bureau be made permanent, instead of expiring by limitation on June 30, 1897. The sale of frozen fruit is a business of \$400,000 to \$500,000, and the license for manufacture from 18 to 4, while at the present time no factories are in operation. The quality of the milk is poor, and the quantity is small. The resolution was adopted.

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C. C. Monaghan, consul of the Los Angeles division of the League of American Wheelmen, favored the commission of the State Highway Commission, and the manufacture of commercial fertilizers. They were pleaded with to provide for the widows and orphans, and how to best remove the growth of weeds from county roads. They were instructed in the art of making youth moral by legislative enactment, and cheese "full cream" with a brush and stencil. They were warned against the continuance of the State Highway Commission by resolution of the convention of Southern California, and in the next breath urged by the Wheelmen's League to extend the Southern California, and the manufacture of commercial fertilizers.

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the duty of the Chamber of Commerce to appeal to Congress for an increased protective duty on raw sugar. The amount that was shortly to be expended in this territory for the purpose of erecting six beet-sugar factories in Southern California such as that at China, and would give employment to 1000 men in each factory, whose trade would come to Los Angeles. To insure such a result tariff legislation is imperatively demanded.

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### GROWTH OF LEPROSY.

Its First Appearance in Europe and Its Introduction into the States.

(St. Louis Globe-Democrat.) When a leper was picked up on the streets of Paris a few days ago and carried to the St. Louis Hospital, it was found that six leprosy patients, already there, and the physicians did not exhibit as much concern over the matter as the average man might expect. The fact is, leprosy is not so rare as it used to be, and it is spreading throughout the civilized world the disease is vigorously alive, claiming victims every day of the year and increasing in number. Norway is said to be the most leprosy country in Europe, and it is estimated that over eight hundred persons are suffering from it there, while in Sweden the progress of the disease has been so rapid in recent years that there are 462 victims of it. In Spain and Portugal there are numerous leprosy hospitals, which are never without patients, and in Turkey and the Ionian Islands it gains ground annually. There are over 500 lepers in Crete, and the latest statistics show that there are 100,000 lepers in India, China, Japan, Hayti, Trinidad, Guiana, Venezuela, Brazil, Paraguay, and Indo-China are all infested with leprosy.

But when we come nearer home we find that the disease has made alarming progress in certain quarters. The oldest leper colony in this country is located at Tracadie, in the province of New Brunswick, Canada. Here probably occurred the first death in North America from leprosy. It was a leper who died in 1840, and a woman died in Tracadie of a peculiar disease, and was buried by a missionary priest of the Roman Catholic Church.

The physician in charge of the case visited all of the foreign hospitals to find a parallel case, but he was unable to find any. The case was the same as the one in Tracadie. While visiting in Norway he saw several lepers, and upon his return to Canada he unhesitatingly pronounced the strange case of the dead woman to have been leprosy.

But the strangest part of the story of how leprosy started in that country was revealed later. The case of the fisherman who carried the body of the dead woman to her grave was in his third sleep at the time, and the sharp edge of the coffin cut through the sleep into the skin. The coffin had been rudely made and the corpse put in it. A salver of the coffin, the body, oozed through the wooden box and entered the punctured flesh of the fisherman. This caused blood poisoning, and the fisherman died of the same malady. While visiting in Norway he saw several lepers, and upon his return to Canada he unhesitatingly pronounced the strange case of the dead woman to have been leprosy.

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sent ordinance to grade, etc., Tenth street from Alvarado street to Grand avenue under private contract. Adopted.

"Ordinance to grade, etc., Lake View street from Tenth street to Eleventh street." Adopted.

"Ordinance of intention to change and establish the grade of Alhambra street from Water street to Main street, according to petition from F. H. Keith et al." Adopted.

The Council adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock to complete the work of canvassing the election returns.

#### AT THE COURT HOUSE

### THE BANK TUNNEL CASES.

#### JACK MCCARTY ON TRIAL FOR BURGLARY.

Fred Jones Gets a Continuance So That He May Testify Against McCarty—Evidence Given at the Preliminary Examination Repeated.

The trial of J. J. McCarty on the charge of burglary began in Department One of the Superior Court yesterday morning. McCarty is alleged to be the leader of the gang of cracksmen who ran a tunnel under the First National Bank and tried to tap the treasure vault last June.

A more glaring crime was never attempted in Los Angeles, and but for an unexpected circumstance, the plan, which was a most clever one, might have succeeded. Unfortunately for the burglars, a sub-vault, used as a storage room for old books and papers, is under the vault where the treasure is kept, and the tunnel ended in this. To have continued the work would have led to certain exposure and capture, so, after six months' hard and patient toil, the scheme had to be abandoned.

Two of the alleged conspirators, the only two in custody, were in Judge Smith's court yesterday morning when their cases were called. Counsel for Fred L. Jones, who is charged with the saloon on Commercial street, from the basement of which the tunnel was started, and who has turned State's evidence, stated that he was ready to go on with the trial, so a continuance in his case was granted.

McCarty's attorneys, Messrs. A. B. Hotchkiss and J. W. B. Shannon, were ready, as was also Deputy District Attorney McComas, who is conducting the prosecution, and the trial was promptly begun. A jury was secured without trouble, the first twelve men called being accepted without objection by either side.

The defendant, McCarty, sat with his counsel and maintained his composure remarkably well, considering the gravity of the charge against him and the damaging nature of the evidence submitted in substantiation thereof. The only time that he appeared ill at ease was when Jones, his alleged accomplice, took the stand and related in detail how McCarty revealed the plot for robbing the bank to him and induced him to enter into the conspiracy by having his cellar as the base of operations.

McCarty, like Dan McGinty in the song, was dressed in his best suit of clothes, and looked the very opposite of a jail bird. No one seeing him in his well-fitting broadcloth coat, striped trousers as carefully creased as those of a Spring-street dandy, immaculate shirt and polished shoes, would ever suspect him of being a criminal at the bar of justice. He was the best-dressed man in court, not only in the judge's chamber, but in the courtroom, and he was the gentlemanly clerk, to say nothing of the fine raiment worn by some of the attorneys in the case.

Detective Walter Adams, who played the leading part in the attempt to ferret out the bank robbers, sat at Deputy District Attorney McComas's elbow throughout the day, and from time to time on the lines of examination. Occasionally the detective exercised his muscle by lunging before the witnesses the vagabond, and from time to time, when he was alleged to have been used by the burglars in digging the tunnel. The testimony was principally threatening over time and money, and it having been brought out at McCarty's preliminary examination.

The first witness called was J. M. Elliott, president of the First National Bank, who told of the discovery of the attempt to rob the bank in June last, and testified that there was in the vault at that time a large amount of money and other valuables. The papers removed from the sub-vault had no commercial value, but had been of value to the bank in certain contingencies.

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#### A BRIEF HONEYMOON.

Married in October and Suing for Divorce in December.

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#### FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

Miscellaneous Driftwood Thrown into the Courts.

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President Howlitt, in a flowery speech, congratulated the members of the board in the glorious victory that had been achieved by the Hurler in the election of Mr. Snyder to the mayoralty. He especially emphasized the fact that the Hurler's election was a tremendous blow to their hated and despised contemporary, the Morning Monster.

Mr. Canillite arose to ask what they were going to get in the shape of a substantial reward for the fight they had made on behalf of the illiterate statesman from the Second Ward.

The president replied that Mr. Snyder had promised that he would resign a regular subscriber to the Hurler as long as he held office; that he would use his influence to prevent the passage of any ordinance forbidding the throwing of the Hurler's papers on the streets; that he would try to secure places on the sewers for any of the stockholders of the paper who might be temporarily in need of a job; that Hurler stockholders would be allowed a rebate of 5 per cent. on shoes purchased (for cash) at his place, and that he would, in a few months, write an article for the Hurler on "How It Feels to Be a Mayor."

The look of pleased expectancy on the faces of the directors rapidly subsided as the president finished speaking, and was replaced by an expression of deep disappointment and disgust.

Mr. Doolittle asked whether the article which the Mayor had promised to write for the Hurler would be printed as received, to which the president replied "Of course not."

The president then proceeded to discuss the suggestions that had been made by the directors at the last meeting, two weeks ago, on the subject of improvements that might be introduced in the method of running the paper, referring to Mr. Doolittle's suggestion that an effort should be made to get a bill introduced in the coming Legislature making it compulsory for all newspapers to be stamped with the Trytographall Union.

Mr. Doolittle said he had sounded the members-elect of the Legislature who were present in the city, but had met with very little encouragement from them. They had pointed to the fact that public sentiment in Los Angeles on the subject of the toted had been very plainly shown at the recent municipal election, when most of the candidates endorsed by the Trytographall Union had been defeated. Besides this, the president stated that there was a very strong feeling against this boycotting system, and it would be a dangerous thing for the Hurler to take up such a losing battle with a set of men whose patronage of the paper was mostly confined to the reading of it in saloons and other public places.

As to Mr. Doolittle's suggestion that the paper should be given away absolutely free, the president said that this might be more practicable after they should succeed in getting a few more advertisements, but at present it was out of the question.

Referring to Mr. Canillite's suggestions that the candidates for office should be "stamped up" and that the time for this had gone by, they had, he said, met with very poor success in this line, and he thought that the Hurler should undertake a campaign of education among office-seekers, for the purpose of teaching them the value of the Hurler, in regard to which the most dense ignorance appeared to prevail.

Mr. Canillite's suggestion to obtain stories about wealthy citizens for the purpose of inducing them to "pungle up" was characterized by the president as more practical than any of the suggestions so far made. It was, he said, receiving careful consideration, and might be acted upon, although they would have to go to the most careful and fully in this direction, as the Times would take particular pleasure in exposing any such schemes as these, if it should learn of them.

As to Mr. Doolittle's suggestion that the editorial and business staff should be discharged, and the colored janitor placed in control of the means of publication, the president said it was not worthy of serious consideration. "Besides," he added, "from what I know of the janitor's views in regard to the Hurler, I am pretty sure he would not accept the position."

President Howlitt closed by stating that it would be necessary for the directors to try their heads together and try and think out some other ideas, if the paper was to be kept afloat.

Mr. Canillite wanted to know the meaning of the immense pile of old copies of the Hurler—about enough to fill a car—that he had seen on the sidewalk opposite the office, a few mornings ago.

The president explained that these were papers that had been sent back by country agents, whose subscribers had fallen off when the free list was suspended, and a charge made for the paper.

Mr. Canillite inquired whether it would not be possible to derive a considerable revenue from the sale of these old papers.

The president explained that the paper used by the Hurler was of such inferior quality that the public would not use it, even for the meager purposes. He added that they would like to use better paper, and would have done so ere this, if it were not that they were so deeply in debt to the paper company, and had to take whatever the company chose to send them.

Director Canillite arose to inquire whether there was any truth in the rumor current on the streets that there was about to be a change in the ownership of the paper.

The president replied, with a grim attempt at humor, that there was always "about to be a change on the Hurler," but that the change was likely to materialize within the next few months, he was unable to state just then. He admitted, however, that certain negotiations were at present under way, from which good results were expected.

Mr. Canillite again jumped up and remarked that in his opinion, it would be advisable to put the president under bonds, so as to provide that in case a new deal was made, he would not skip out before a proper "divvy" had been made among the stockholders, great and small.

The president inquired, with much

show of heat and indignation, whether Mr. Canillite intended this as a reflection upon his personal character. To this Mr. Canillite coolly replied, "Not at all, I do not believe you would attempt to take anything if you did not think you could get away with it."

The president observed that Mr. Canillite's jokes at times assumed a character that was almost insulting in tone.

To this Mr. Canillite replied that he did not intend it as a joke. Whereupon the president glared upon him for a minute, and the incident was closed.

There being no other business before the board, Mr. Howlitt declared the meeting adjourned until Monday next. The directors fled out, and the colored janitor entered to clean out the barn, his face bearing an expression of mingled disgust and contempt that could have been felt in the dark.

## LETTERS TO THE TIMES.

## Scripture for the Summer.

HIGHLAND PARK (Cal.), Dec. 14, 1896. (To the Editor of the Times): "Bystander," in your issue of the 12th inst., seeks to parry "Inquirer's" pertinent questions, by reducing the great apostle, Paul, and perverting scripture. In answer to the direct question:

"What authority have they as followers of Christ for seeking permission to carry weapons of offense and defense—firearms?" "Bystander" points to the apostle Paul. A careful reading of Acts xxv, 1-12 will convince any fair-minded person that there is no similarity between Paul, a prisoner, demanding to be tried before Caesar, and the Hurler, a man of law, carrying a pistol for self-protection while prosecuting others.

"Bystander" adopts the Yankee style of answering questions, by propounding others. He says: "Does true Christianity consist in passively standing aside and allowing all the devils of the country to walk and tramp over the Christian's head?" As a minister of Jesus Christ I answer Yes! In his greatest sermon, Jesus said: "But I say unto you, that ye resist not evil; but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also."

"Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you and pray for them which despitefully use you and persecute you; that ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven, for he maketh the sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth the rain on the just and on the unjust." Matthew v, 39-48.

"That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven," surely indicate that no one can be a child of God unless he measures up to the foregoing scripture. Jesus measured up to that standard, under the greatest persecutions—Matthew vi, 67, xxviii, 20—while the scriptures proclaim: "Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his"—Romans viii, 9.

"Bystander," in his efforts to defend so-called ministers in "slumming," forgets himself so far as to pervert scripture and traduce Jesus Christ, for he made the Hurler a "child of God," while the scriptures declare that he is none of his.

A careful reading of John iii, 13, shows that Jesus drove hypocrites out of the temple because they were making "the house of prayer a den of thieves," Matthew xxi, 13. The ministers "Bystander" seeks to defend are invading the homes of sinners and driving them into the courts by means which are said to favor of trickery and dishonesty. Jesus being the Son of God, had authority to drive hypocrites out of his Father's house, the Ministerial Union and the Parkhursts have no such authority.

I think our daily papers do injustice to Mrs. McLean and Wilson, by throwing all the blame upon their shoulders. They are simply acting agents of the Ministerial Union, which tacitly indorses all their actions, and as the latter tacitly indorse the Ministerial Union, it is not for them to protest, for they do not protest, are responsible for this crusade.

When we realize the intelligence of the Ministerial Union, it is surprising that they as a body should stand idly by and permit their ministers to pursue a line of conduct which is a disgrace to the Christian religion, and in direct violation of Bible teachings.

"Bystander" would have the Ministerial Union supersede the police in regulating the whiskey and gambling holes. Does he not know that ministers and church people are failures at municipal reform, because they need to be reformed themselves? They are in their own ranks—which fact cripples them in their attacks on outside sinners. Neither are they called upon by God to go to the outside of their organizations to purify men. Jesus would have the world influenced by the daily life of his disciples, whom he termed "the salt of the world." Jesus never attempted to coerce any one; he tells all men, "Choose whom he will serve."

What influence can the Ministerial Union, who run "poolrooms" and "wheel games," so long as they allow their members to sell chances on cakes, dolls, and voting contests, and to run "wheel games," etc., at their church socials and frolics? Is it a greater sin to purchase a chance on a cigar, a wheel game, or on a horse at a poolroom, than to buy a chance on a doll, a cake or a grab-bag at a church entertainment? Are not the churches manufacturing patrons for "Black & White" poolrooms, by inducing innocent children to engage in games of chance at socials?

Many a church raises the battle-cry of "temperance," as she marshals her forces to annihilate the saloon. Webster defines temperance: "Habitual moderation in regard to the indulgence of the natural appetites and passions." Temperance is defined in the Bible as self-government in all things, and Christians are instructed to add to their "temperance" patience, and to their patience godliness.—2 Peter i, 6.

Now, if there is a class of people on earth who should be temperate in their talk, acts, dress, etc., thereby showing the power of Christ, and being "a light to the world," it is those who term themselves Christians.

Why are sectarian ministers so malignant and merciless in their attacks upon saloon men and prostitutes? The saloon man with his sign above the door, and the scarlet woman with a light in her window are living up to their professions and not breaking any social obligations or attempting to deceive any one.

Evangelists and ministers denounce the saloon man for giving "John Smith" a drink and sending him staggering through the streets drunk on alcohol; yet, "John Smith's" wife and daughters "can go to the mantel-mak-er's and military saloon indulging in intemperance and come swaggering up the church aisles, drunk on pride (?) and not a word is said to them or against the saloon they patronize.

One is the fashionable, popular saloon of the church, and the other is unfashionable and unpopular, because not of the church. "John Smith" is simply living up to his profession, as he swags through the streets drunk on alcohol, while "John Smith's" wife and daughters are disgracing their profession, breaking church discipline, treading under foot the commands of Christ—I Timothy 2:9-10—and bringing his name into disrepute, as they "professing godliness," stand decked in "gold, pearl and costly array." Pride is a sin that is damning more people than drunkenness, and the Bible has more words of condemnation of pride than of strong drink. One sin, in God's sight, is the same as another: so

to please Him, we should condemn all sins alike.

WILLIAM H. ARMSTRONG.

A City Hall Nuisance.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 14, 1896.—(To the Editor of the Times): I venture to draw the public attention to a most unmitigated nuisance, one which, while immediately under the fierce glare of our City Fathers, is apparently scarcely worthy of their consideration.

In the name of decency, let me inquire why the steps of our City Hall should be converted into a most unsightly cesspool. Here, on these ever-busy steps are to be found daily the "great unpaid," whose vocation, it would apparently seem, consists in exhorting the public to the use of the "great unpaid," an abominably nauseating extent, much to the disgust and detriment of numerous ladies whose business calls them so frequently to our City Library.

Yet right in the midst of our city this cesspool is permitted to exist. The Sacramento City Council have recently introduced a bill, prohibiting "spitting" on the sidewalks, is it much to ask that this congested filthiness on our City Hall steps be corralled into such places or receptacles as may be set apart for this purpose?

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## THE WINCUP SUIT.

Earl Rogers Explains How and Why He Signed a Note with Mr. Gibbon.

An innocent little court item sometimes causes more bother and annoyance than a two-column "note." In noticing a suit on a note, brought by W. Wincup against Earl Rogers and T. E. Gibbon, the court reporter happened to place Mr. Gibbon's name before the name of Mr. Rogers, whereupon Mr. Gibbon suspected that somehow he had "inspired" the reporter to do him an injury, and asked for space to explain the transaction. Mr. Gibbon's explanation was printed yesterday, and incidentally some of the disagreements and troubles of the Terminal Company were hinted at.

Now Mr. Rogers takes exception to the statement made by Mr. Gibbon and asks space for his own explanation. The Times never expected and does not propose to try the case, but will give to Mr. Rogers prints his communication to close the debate. The letter is as follows:

To the Editor of the Times: Your article entitled "Sue for Spite," published yesterday does me a slight injustice. Permit me to make a short explanation.

"A near relative of mine owed Mr. Gibbon \$200 as a fee. I felt myself in honor, though not legally, bound to pay it. So I agreed to sign a note with Mr. Gibbon and assign some good collateral to secure the claim. This was done, giving the note to the witness, Mr. Wincup. Gibbon himself got the money. Mr. Gibbon received his fee, and I a small sum over and above it, have never been spoken to by Mr. Wincup about the matter, and had the money to pay all ready. Mr. Wincup, evidently feeling some spite against Mr. Gibbon, did not notify either him or myself, but went East instructing his attorneys to make the thing as warm for Mr. Gibbon as possible, to have him arrested, as I could be, for which I am grateful, but I am sorry that he has been annoyed."

"It was my debt of honor, not of fact, that was paid, and I am sorry the troubles of the Terminal directorate should thus be aired."

EARL ROGERS.

## THE WRONGS OF CUBA.

Indignation Meeting Called Next Friday at Music Hall.

Next Friday evening will see a demonstration at Music Hall which should fill it to the roof and leave a large overflow meeting outside. The leading citizens of Los Angeles, moved with the deepest sympathy and indignation over the present state of affairs in Cuba, have called a mass-meeting in order that the feeling of all brave and patriotic Americans may be adequately expressed.

A number of the most brilliant speakers in the city will address the audience upon the wrongs and sufferings of Cuba, and the Seventh Regiment Band will be there to stir all hearts to a quicker throbbing with military music fit to lead a conquering army to the rescue of the struggling nation so close to the shores of the proudest nation upon earth.

America fought nobly for her freedom and won it after eight weary years of struggle against heavy odds. Cuba has waged a similar and more bitter contest for thirteen years, and is now crying for help to her sister nation.

Ever cowardly and treacherous, the Spaniard has allowed the Cuban patriots to be driven from their country, and has dragged his body with horses. The flag of truce and the sword of the Spaniard have been naught to compass the death of the man whose life was devoted to the liberty of his country. The infernal stare success, and now, in this nineteenth century it will be a wonder if the whole civilized world does not rise up and condemn the cruelty of Spain as it did in days of old.

Los Angeles is stirred to the depths, and the meeting next Friday is likely to be red-hot. Everyone should attend it and try to help in deciding what is best to be done.

## Civil Service Examination.

The United States Civil Service Commission has ordered that an examination be held by its local board in this city on Tuesday, February 2, 1897, commencing at 9 o'clock a.m. for the grades of clerk and carrier in the post-office service. Only citizens of the United States can be examined. The age limitations for this examination are as follows: Clerk, over 18 years; carrier, 21 to 40 years. No application will be accepted for this examination unless filed with the undersigned on the proper blank, before the hour of closing business on January 13, 1897. Applications are to be filed promptly in order that time may remain for correction if necessary.

The commission takes this opportunity of stating that the examination is open to all reputable citizens of the United States who may desire to enter service, without regard to race or to their political or religious affiliations. All such citizens are invited to apply. They shall be examined, graded and certified with entire impartiality, and without regard to any consideration save their efficiency, as shown by the grades they obtain in the examination.

For application blanks, full instructions and information relative to the duties and salaries of the different positions, apply to W. P. Bowen, secretary Board of Examiners, Post Office Service, Los Angeles.

## Sunday Baseball.

The Ninth-street baseball team was defeated by the Spaulding team on Sunday last at the grounds of the former by a score of 7 to 2. The Spauldings challenge any team under 18 years of age to a game, the manager being T. A. Briseno, No. 801 Short street.

The aggregation of ball-tossers from the firm of Jacoby Bros. met defeat last Sunday morning at the hands of the invincibles from the People's Store. The game took place at Agricultural Park before a large crowd and a great deal of coin changed hands on the result. The score was 15 to 7.

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| 4 Breakfast plates    | 1 Celery stand          | 1 Dairy pan, 2 qt                |
| 2 Dinner plates       | 4 Dessert dishes        | 2 Wash basins                    |
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| 2 Dessert plates      | 2 Olive dishes          | 2 Dairy pans, 5 qt               |
| 2 Devoured sauce boat | 2 China toothpicks      | 2 Preserving kettles             |
| 1 Rebecca tea pot     | 1 Shaving mug           | 2 Lip sauce pans                 |
| 1 Cuspidor            | 1 Fancy mustard pot     | 1 Decorated vegetable dish       |
| 1 Candlestick         | 1 China teapot stand    | 6 Individual butter dishes       |
| 2 China tumblers      | 2 Chocolate cups        | 1 Fancy cup and saucer           |
| 2 Engraved tumblers   | 1 Coffee cup and saucer | 1 Fancy china oatmeal bowl       |
| 2 Champagne tumblers  | 1 Fancy vase            | 4 Individual salt shakers        |
| 2 Lemonade glasses    | 1 Fancy vase            | 2 Covered sauce pans, 2 qt       |
| 2 Bud vases           | 1 Bique vase            | 2 Japanned candlesticks          |
| 2 Cream pitchers      | 2 Soup plates           | 2 Coffee cups and saucers        |
| 1 Spoon               | 1 Round waffle dish     | 2 Decorated fruit plates         |
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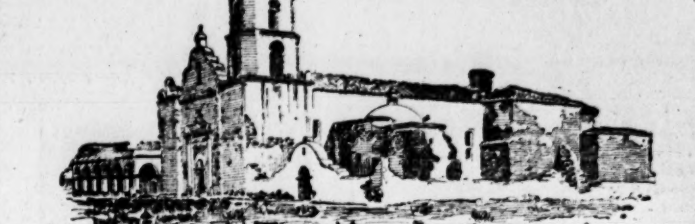
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## BUSINESS.

## FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

**OFFICE OF THE TIMES.**  
 Los Angeles, Dec. 14, 1896.  
**SPECIE MOVEMENTS.** The imports and exports of gold and silver during the week ended December 5, were: Silver exports, \$1,075,764; imports, \$88,529; gold exports, \$23,370; imports, \$44,541. Since January 1, 1896, silver exports, \$4,516,412; imports, \$2,723,541; gold exports, \$51,780,789; imports, \$52,769,412.

**DIVIDENDS DECLARED.** Eastern advices report the following dividends declared: Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, a quarterly dividend of 14 per cent. on its preferred stock, payable January 1; the Commercial Cable Company, a quarterly dividend of 1 per cent. and an extra dividend of 1 per cent., payable January 1.

**THE DECLINE IN KAFFIRS.** In an article on the wonderful growth of the speculation in Kaffir mining stocks Bradstreet's points out that it was largely due to the fact that the general public has been misled by the low rates of interest which for several years past have made lenders rejoice in anything which gave constant and profitable employment for their funds. The article further says:

"The public appetite for gold mines was excited by the actual performance of such a number of the producing mines, as well as by the alleged prospects of similar developments in the territory of the British Chartered Company. At the same time the ease with which capital could be enlisted in new concerns in this field, and the comparative readiness with which the funds necessary to support an inflated speculation in these ventures could be obtained and the stocks of speculators 'carried' in the market. While the great mining speculation throughout has been conducted on a great scale on the basis of the taking up of stocks by their purchasers, there has also been necessarily more free borrowing on them, and the fact that the general public has been misled by the low rates of interest which for several years past have made lenders rejoice in anything which gave constant and profitable employment for their funds. The article further says:

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**GRAIN IN CALIFORNIA.** In its regular semi-annual statement the San Francisco Produce Exchange gives the following as the quantity of flour, wheat and barley in the State on December 1:

Flour	111,075 barrels
Wheat	4,495,280 bushels
Barley	2,008,980 bushels

On July 1 of this year wheat was selling at 22 1/2 cents, and on December 1, the date on which stocks were taken by the Produce Exchange, the price was \$1.50. Barley, that was quoted on July 1 at 75 cents, was quoted on December 1 at 95 cents to \$1 a cental on December 1. Flour on July 1 was selling at \$3.75 to \$3.85 a barrel, while on December 1 it was worth \$5.25 to \$5.50 a barrel. Applying these advances in prices to the stocks on hand on December 1 it is found that the increased value of these quantities compared with the value of like quantities on July 1 is as follows:

Increase on flour	\$150,000
Increase on wheat	\$1,000,000
Increase on barley	\$725,000
Total increase in value	\$1,875,000

**FOREIGN FRUITS AND NUTS.** The California Fruit Grower, in its last issue publishes some figures on the importation into the United States of foreign fruits and nuts that should set the growers of fruit and nuts in this State very seriously thinking. The argument in part is as follows, and we commend it to the serious attention of the growers of fruits and nuts in Southern California:

"Although the United States of America, and more particularly the State of California, is eminently fitted for the production of fruit and nuts of a quality that is unsurpassed, yet for the nine months of the year ending September 30, there were imported from abroad fruits and nuts to the value of \$1,652,267. This enormous sum of money went to other countries, and in three exceptions can be produced in this State better than anywhere in the world. Bananas do not grow here commercially, but other do, and their prices are lower. Figs grow abundantly, but the secrets of curing them and another smaller difficulty are not yet mastered. The United States should therefore have the necessity of importing fruits and nuts mentioned above excepted. If \$1,652,267, or any considerable portion of that sum, was expended in growing fruits and nuts here, they would be simply because they were put up in extra attractive packages, then California packers and shippers may here find a lesson worthy of study."

**GENERAL BUSINESS TOPICS.**  
**DUTY ON OPIUM.** The report of the supervising special agent of the treasury for the last fiscal year contains, among other statements, one that is a source of surprise. In speaking of the working of the Chinese Exclusion Act and the number of Chinese who have come to and gone from the United States during the year to which the report is confined, he points out that opium smuggling has largely decreased, and he attributes this decrease to the reduction made in the rate of duty on it from \$12 to \$6 a pound. He further points out that there was a marked decrease as compared with 1895 in the quantity of Chinese opium imported at San Francisco. The decrease in the duty has so largely done away with the profits of the opium smuggler that he no longer finds the profits to be made justifying the risks taken. The report suggests a further reduction of the duty to \$1 a pound.

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## ADDRESS TO MOTHERS.

DR. McLEAN TALKS ABOUT SNARES AND PITFALLS.

Tells the Story of His Nocturnal Ramblings to an Audience of Women—Exhorts Them to Keep Careful Guard Over Their Children.

A hundred or more women, nearly all middle-aged, assembled yesterday afternoon in Simpson's Tabernacle to hear Dr. C. C. McLean's address to mothers upon the evils he had witnessed in the course of his nocturnal ramblings through the tenebrous district of Los Angeles. The good man's address was chiefly of vague horrors, too dreadful to be named; of solemn warnings to the mothers to keep a watchful eye on their children, and of almost fearful justification of the proceedings of himself and his colleagues.

Dr. McLean insisted that whatever the press might say, he was actuated by pure motives in undertaking the work of the suppression of vice and crime. He had been accused by his fellow-workers of being afraid of the big Chief and his myrmidons, but he protested that this was by no means the fact.

He then went on to describe the famous raid, in which he declared that, no matter what the papers said, he had not gone about in disguise or endeavored to induce anyone to break the law. With great reluctance he had yielded to persuasion and accepted the chairmanship of the committee, appointing his own assistants.

In the course of preparation for his investigations, Dr. McLean said he had gone for aid to business men, physicians, lawyers and all manner of professional men, but all had refused to stir in the matter, on the ground that it was bad business policy to take up these difficulties. The committee was finally got together and the investigation was begun.

With tears in his eyes, Dr. McLean protested his unwillingness to undertake the task, and vouched for the immaculate purity of his own character since infancy. In view of this, and moved by the urgent necessity of reforming Los Angeles, he had undertaken the work. His assistants were the most moral young men that could be found, and they met them through a rigid examination as to their character and principles before taking them to the dens of the naughty "follies."

During the course of the committee, Dr. McLean declared that they never lost sight of each other, lest some sharp villain should "get a clinch" on some of them, and that they might be put to considerable future embarrassment thereby.

The reverend gentleman did not go into details concerning the experiences of the committee, but branched off into an exhortation to the mothers assembled before him to keep a most careful watch over the education of their sons and daughters.

To illustrate some of the pitfalls which beset the path of the unwary, Dr. McLean read a number of statements which set forth the way in which some unfortunate young people had come to grief through ignorance and heedlessness, and through the evil designs of men and women old in wickedness.

Dr. McLean then proceeded to a scorching denunciation of men who lead evil lives, asserting that they were more to blame for the sin and misery of the world than the worst women in the land, and should be condemned with even more severity.

One of the denizens of Alameda street had told Dr. McLean how new recruits for the dens of vice were procured. She herself was often sent out to "drum up trade" by making the acquaintance of school girls, especially those whose home lives were not quite happy, and representing to them the glories and luxuries of life in the half-world.

In the course of his explanations, Dr. McLean accused the police of standing in with the proprietors of illicit places, and asserted that the Parkhurst committee had been directed by policemen to one of the worst resorts in the city.

As the best means of holding up the hands of the Parkhurst Society in its endeavor to sweep out the Augean stables, the speaker urged the women of Los Angeles to form a Parkhurst Society of their own, asserting that Dr. Parkhurst, in his original crusade, had met with almost universal opposition until the mothers of New York had agreed to lend him their moral support.

Dr. McLean then suggested that a committee of Los Angeles mothers meet him in private and hear him tale calculated to make their hair stand on end, of horrors which could not be recounted before the general assembly.

At the close of his remarks, he called for questions and suggestions, and quite a number of the women rose for further information. The main point elicited was some urgent advice from Dr. McLean against allowing young girls to walk about in the public parks, particularly Central Park, which was little more than a recognized place of assignment.

## A CENSUS OF THE WORLD.

Gigantic Project to Celebrate the Advent of the Twentieth Century.

(London Mail.) A census of the world seems impossible, but it is going to be undertaken. The unparalleled project is to be one of the gigantic projects of the twentieth century, and it is safe to say that a more stupendous undertaking has never before been devised. The scheme had its real inception at the biennial meeting of the International Statistical Institute, recently held at Bern, Switzerland, where a committee was appointed to consider ways and means. The first step in this important committee's labor was to enlist the interest and aid of Li Hung Chang. They met him when he was in Berlin, and secured his promise of his influence in China. In no nation will the work of census-taking be more difficult than in China.

Anything approximating an accurate census of the population of the earth at the present time is, without doubt, an impossibility. In addition to the poles, there are many spots on the earth that have never been visited by the explorer, and others from which a census enumerator never would get away alive. The population of the earth is now estimated at 1,700,000,000, guesses founded upon the observation of travelers, and upon other guesses mentioned in ancient and modern books. Countries as China, Persia, Arabia and Turkey.

## More Than He Expected.

(Spare Moments.) An old man was breaking stone one day on a country road in Wales, when a gentleman came riding along.

"Better these stones! Take them out of my way," he said.

"Where can I take them to, your honor?"

"I don't care where, take them to hades, if you like."

"Don't you think, your honor," said the old man, "that I'd better take 'em to heaven? They'll be less in your honor's way there."

## Tortoise Shell Sacrifice.

Genuine tortoise-shell hair ornaments at 25c, 50c, worth from \$1 to \$4; beautiful tortoise back-combs, worth elsewhere \$2 and \$3, we sell for \$1 and \$1.50. These are money-saving bargains. Come and see for yourself before buying elsewhere. Retail amber pins, 25c; amber necklaces, 50c. Main branch for a time, Imperial Hair Bazaar, Nos. 224-226 West Second street.

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## SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

## SLIM ATTENDANCE AT THE SCHOOL EXAMINATION.

Successful Session of the Farmers' Institute at Goleta—More Oil Struck—Drowned in a Fish Pond. Santa Barbara Brevities.

SANTA BARBARA, Dec. 14.—(Regular Correspondence.) Notwithstanding the fact that this is, or is supposed to be, the last chance for students to procure primary-grade certificates in this county, there are but fifteen applicants taking the examination, which commenced today at the Courthouse under the management of the County Board of Education. More than twice this number were expected by County Superintendent G. E. Thurmond, who can only account for the shortage by the fact that one never knows what a California legislature will do, and primary teachers are trusting everything to that body to give them a new lease of life.

A number of other applicants will come in on Thursday, when the grammar-grade examination commences. There will be but few applicants for high-school certificates. The board, however, will have plenty of work to do from now on to the end of the year, and those who are teaching feel that they will scarcely have time to complete their board duties and return to teaching by January 4, the date set for the schools north of the mountains to reopen.

It will require a full week to look over and mark the pupils' examination papers now piled up in the Superintendent's office, and cannot be touched before next week. Then will come the teachers' papers, and there is always more or less work in the line of investigating and granting life diplomas and other incidentals that consume time so that the present vacation will be no picnic for members of the Board of Education.

While the school papers have not yet been opened, the board members are confident that they will grade higher than usual, on account of the efficiency of the present teachers. The board, however, will have plenty of work to do from now on to the end of the year, and those who are teaching feel that they will scarcely have time to complete their board duties and return to teaching by January 4, the date set for the schools north of the mountains to reopen.

THE GOLETA INSTITUTE. The Farmers' Institute opened in Section's Hall at Goleta this afternoon under most favorable circumstances and promises to be a success. About a hundred local farmers were present at the opening. An address of welcome was delivered by Frank E. Kellogg of Goleta, and was responded to by Prof. E. J. Wickson of the State University. Unusual interest was manifested from the start on the part of the farmers, showing their confidence in the future and their earnest desire to learn more about their own business.

A paper on the "Rhizobium" was read by A. A. Evans. This topic was originally announced in the hands of Hon. Ellwood Cooper, but being unable to attend to it at the time, it was turned over to Mr. Evans, who handled it well.

Prof. Irving Stringham will deliver a lecture at this evening's session on "Improved Methods of Education," and many will go out from the city to hear him.

N. W. Blanchard of Santa Paula is here, and will read a well-prepared paper upon "The Lemon" tomorrow. This is an all-important subject with our farmers, and they expect Mr. Blanchard to turn his long experience to good account. That the institute is the biggest success of anything of the kind ever held in this county is a foregone conclusion.

MORE OIL STRUCK. Two more blasts were set off yesterday in the Occidental tunnel and more fissures were opened up which materially increases the flow of both oil and water. The closed lamps were sent out today, and work will now be pushed with all possible speed. After cutting entirely through the oil-bearing ledge, which is at least thirty feet thick, laterals will be run, opening as many fissures as possible. They are "onto it" this time, and no doubt the entire country will rejoice over the final success that has crowned the eight years' of persistent effort of the Occidental Mining and Petroleum Company.

## DROWNED IN A FISHPOND.

Word was received here last night of the accidental drowning of Guy Stowell of Santa Maria, while visiting at the Suey ranch during the day. There is a small fishpond just back of the ranch house, and Guy Stowell, in company with his chums, Elmer Hall, Harry Nicholson and Arthur Stowell, got into the small row-boat and commenced tipping it for fun. Guy was dumped out and drowned before they could get him from the water.

## SANTA BARBARA BREVITIES.

The city is full of people from all parts of the county. Teachers and would-be teachers are here attending examination by the Board of Education. Quite a delegation of Santa Maria residents are here as principals and witnesses in the Curryer vs. Stanley case, which Judge Cope decided this morn-

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## Men's Furnishings.

In this department we have for your inspection everything that men in all positions and walks of life may desire at prices that only direct buyers and manufacturers can quote. Why not buy your furnishing goods here? Here are a few prices:

Initial Handkerchiefs, pure silk, 22 inches wide, worth 50c; 25c  
Our price.....  
Holiday Neckwear in endless variety of pattern and design. All the latest shapes and colorings in Tecks, Puffs, Four-in-Hands and Bows; Splendid values..... 50c  
Gentlemen's Winter-weight Half-Hose in natural and camel's hair; regular value 25c..... 20c or 3 pr. for 50c  
Gentlemen's Winter-weight Merino Underwear, soft finish, taped seams, camel's hair and natural color, size 34 to 46; Honest value at 75c..... 50c  
Gentlemen's Heavy All Wool Underwear, natural gray, vicuna and camel's hair; splendid value..... \$1.00

## Clothes for Children.

Here's another item of much moment to you. We give you the same grand opportunity in children's wearables that we do for older people. We want you to come and see this department of our store even if you don't buy. If you purchase anything in our mammoth establishment and it does not suit you, why—your money back without a question asked. We are almost giving children's overcoats away.

## Hats.

We can sell hats cheaper than an exclusive furnishing goods store for the same reason that we sell clothing cheaper—WE BUY DIRECT—No jobber's profits, no middleman's takeoff. We are manufacturers, therefore buy at manufacturers' price and save the jobbers' profits. All the most recent shapes, styles and sizes will be found in our hat department at lower prices than retailers can buy them. Hats from 95 cents to \$5.00, on which you save from 25 cents to \$2.00.

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Buckram Frames, all shapes, at only..... 5c

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There was no question but that the cannibal king was highly enraged, for his feast, ordered with passion, resembled one of Aubrey Beardsley's posters and his nose ring quivered violently, says the New York Journal.

He strode up and down the imperial dugout, his "tribby" head flopping back and forth as he walked, and cut savagely at the surrounding atmosphere with a small riding crop which had been presented to him by an English gentleman who had since gone into the interior.

The king violently punched an electric bell. The royal purveyor appeared and advanced on his hands and knees.

"Calit!" roared the savage chieftain, "how is that you are to break my rule, to oppose my royal will, to disobey my specific commands? How is it, I ask, that boiled missionary appears as the only important dish on my bill of fare today?"

The purveyor executed a grovel which tipped all his former efforts in that direction.

The king appeared mollified. "I mean about seasoning," he explained, nibbling on a conversation candy. "I fear that he will not be exactly up to my standard—so mild a man!"

The purveyor looked relieved. "I thought," he said, humbly, "that with reason a la French novelist."

"Capital!" cried the king, with undisguised joy and pinning the latest but same institution, A. J. Cook, Pomona College; N. W. Blanchard, orchardist of Santa Paula; Irving Stringham, professor of mathematics at the State University.

He smacked his lips in anticipation. It was evident that the South Sea Deimonico had scored another triumph.

"A Study of McKinley." (Milwaukee Sentinel.) The Boston Herald, the most influential journal in New England, publishes an article which it calls "A Study of McKinley," and in which it classifies him among "the more amiable and courteous" public men. Mr. McKinley, says the Herald, always made friends in Congress, and these friends were not confined to the Republican party. "While in Congress he grew, and earned his way by special knowledge of the tariff up to the chairmanship of the Ways and Means Committee. It was this devotion to the tariff that kept him from thinking much about the currency, which was 'in effect a new theme for him,' when he took it up this summer. But 'he started out in this discussion on a sound basis, and the general judgment of the country is that he grew, as time went on, in the mastery of the subject.' As Mr. McKinley has hitherto proved equal to his opportunities the Herald infers 'that he will be found equal to higher opportunities.' It believes 'that we may have a broader President, on points of public policy generally, than some of those who estimate McKinley only by his action in Congress have been led to hope or fear.' Among changes of one this mugwump journal's change deserves a conspicuous place.

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